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City Brevities.

Justice Hagner, in equity court No. 2, yesterday ordered Henry Jackson to pay dimony to his wife, Sarah E. Jackson, who is sums for a divorce, in the sum of \$8 amonth until further order of the court.

Frank Rhodes, colored, was convicted in criminal court No. 2 yesterday on an indict ment charging him with larceny from the person. During the Knights Templar review on the 6th instant in the White Lot, Rhode

oners Wight and Black made an official visit to the Washington Asylum yesterday afternoon for the purpose of gaining information regarding the government and needs of that institution. During their may they were the guests of Intendent Stoutenberg at luncheon

John Parkinson, colored, was found guilty vesterday in criminal court No. 1, before Chief Justice Bingham, for housebreaking He broke into the bouse of Georgiana Type, in Brookland, May 4, and stole a sum of money. Chief Justice Bingham entenced him to two years in the New Jersey State penitentiary.

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POLICE COURT KEPT BUSY.

Several Important Cases Disposed of by Judge Kimball.

The session of the police court conboth branches.

beach, and when the latter attempted over his garment the negro struck him in the face. Halley, or Hall, was put away in jail for two months.

William Hawkins, jr., colored, drew pistol on his father, William Hawkins, sr. keep the peace he went to jail for four months.

Benjamin Smallwood will spend 120 days in a cell for stealing a watch from William Washington, and Thomas Green will do sixty days for assaulting Idella

\$10 each for violating the Edmunds act in two cases of larceny, and Charles Meredith was assessed \$10 or thirty days for assaulting Andrew Taylor.

Jane Panted for Freedom.

rested yesterday morning for creating a scene in the office of Sanitary Officer Frank, made three attempts to escape from the police court. On two occasions she rushed from the cage when the door was opened to allow prisoners to enter, but was captured before she had gotten out She will betried for vagrancy this morning, as she was too drunk to stand

Remonstrance of Citizens Along

THE TESTS RANK FAILURES

Citizens' Association Asks the Com missioners to Condemn the Proposed System-Defects Enumerated Experiments in New York Demonstrate Impracticability.

The following communication was re ceived by the Commissioners yesterday;

Columbia:

authorizing a trial of the compressed air system of street car propulsion by the Eckington and Soldiers' Home and Belt Railway companies, requires that before the lines of said companies may be equipped with compressed air motors, such motors 'shall, in the Judgment of the Commission ers of the District of Columbia, prove to be in all respects a proper and satisfactory motive power for the speedy and convenient propulsion of street cars," and in the event of such approval the Commissioners are "authorized and directed to issue to the said railway companies, respectively, permits to equip their lines within the District of Columbia with such compressed air

amending the above-mentioned act, does not repeal, amend, or otherwise affect the provision of section 1 of said act, excent to extend the time for compliance with its terms to July 1, 1897, and provides further that if compressed air motors shall not be adopted, "then said companies shall, within one year from July 1, 1897, equip the respective lines in the city of Washington with an underground electric sys-As the time is near at hand when it will

become necessary for the Commissioners to consider and pass upon any application that may be made by either or toth of said ranway companies for approval of the compressed air system, and for a permit or permits to equip their line with such air motors, we deem it proper and incumbent upon our part, as the authorized representatives of the North Capitol and Eckington Citizens' Association, to submit for the consideration of the Commissioners some important of-servations and facts with respect to the tests which thus far have been made with the car on trial, and to certain objectionable features displayed by the car itself, to the end that the Commissioners may have the fullest information on the sub ject to aid them in determining whether or not the compressed air system has been demonstrated by the experiments made, to be "in all respects" such a notive power as is contemplated and required by the acts of June 10, 1896, and February 3, 1897.

In accordance with the above-mentioner provisions of law, the Eckington & Soldiers' Home Raffway Company has had one compressed air motor on trial since early in March last.

The tests which thus far have been made as to the mechanical ability of the air motors, judged by the car on trial, to certainly and satisfactorily meet the demands that will be made upon them under all the ordinary and varying conditions to which they will be subjected in regular service, have been of an indefinite

will run a distance of from ten to sixteen miles on one charge of air; yet it is a well-known fact that during the experi ment which has been made in this city the car on trial has not made one roome trip over what is considered to be any one section of either company's line, or attempted to make two successive trips over even the short and most favorable section of road on which it has been

pot, but, presumably to avoid the heavi-

In order that the capacity of this car should be more definitely determined, the Commissioners should require it to be run from the power-house in Eckington to Brookland; from Brookland to the Pennsylvania railroad station and return to the power house, making one round trip over that section of line, the act of June 10. 1896, contemplating the use of the air motors on all the lines of said companies within the District of Columbia, and not

the Eckington Line.

Section 1, of the act of June 10, 1896,

The joint resolution of February 3, 1897.

and unsatisfactory character.

It is claimed for these cars that they

It has been repeatedly declared by the management of these companies that, if adopted, it was the purpose to run these cars from Brockland through without transfer to the Pennsylvania railroad de grades on Louisiana avenue and Fourth street leading out to Brookland, the experimental car has been run only between the power house in Eckington and Fifteenth and G streets, making usually three trips : day, morning, afternoon and night, with an occasional trip at noon, several bour intervening between each trip, during which time the car has been under procees of recharging. On one occasion only is it known to have been run over any other section of the line, and this was from Fifteenth and G streets, by way o New Jersey avenue and G street, over the North Capitol street track to New York avenue and thence to the power

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merely within the city limits. Such a trial would subject the car to a grade and distance test, which thus far has not been

the car from the power house to the end northeast and return to the place of starting, which would also be a grade and dis tance test over this section of road. Such the busy hours of the day and not under cover of darkness. Reverting to the trial which has been

made, on the return trip from Fifteemth street, the car has on a number of occasions displayed so much weakness in ascending the short grade between Quincy and R streets as to bring forth from those on board to reach the top of the grade or to surmount the Fourth street grade leading to Brook land; and on one occasion, at least, it is known to have been stranded on the grade entering Eckington, necessitating its being pushed up the hill by the trolley car In explanation of the short runs, weakness displayed and frequent charging required, it is claimed by the officers of the road that because of the imperfect and tem-perary compressing plant now in use at the Eckington power-house it is impossible to charge the car quickly and to its full capacity, but with a first-class compresser his difficulty would be overcome, the ar be enabled to make longer and more frequent runs and to take without difficulty

any and all grades on the route. At the Lenox avenue power-house of the Metropolitan line, in New York city, on which line this same car was thoroughly tested before it was brought here, a firstclass compressing plant was erected last summer, capable, the engineer in charge of its erection stated, of quickly charging several cars with their full complement of air; yet with this advantage, it is stated them, especially when obliged to stand, on the authority of a reliable air-motor and therefore have abandoned its use. expert, that this car, fully charged, when put to a test as to the length of tolles it could run on one charging, could not exceed the limit of four and a half miles round trip, without being helped into the

power-house.

In explanation of the cause of the stranding of the car on the grade between Quincy and R streets, it was officially stated by the receiver of the Eckington road that it was due to his having been experimenting at the time with cold air.

It is further stated on the authority of this same air motor expert that an air motor equipped with cylinders six by four-teen inches, which is understood to be the size of the cylinders on this car, will con-some 308 cubic feet of heated air, or 661 cubic feet of cold air per mile. If, therefore, this car, fully charged, could run when tested in New York but four and a baif miles with heated air, it is

distance of about four miles with cold air, requiring more than double the con-sumption of heated air.

For the purpose of heating the air in passing it from the tubes to the cylinders, each car of the pattern on trial, carriein all seasons a pot of fire underneath the floor in the center of the car. This fire emits into the car a lamp wick odor at all times disagreeable to Inhale and quite frequently very offensive to the passengers. This would be especially disagreeable during the cold weather when the windows and doors of the car are closed

A smokestack from this fire pot runs up on the inside of the car through the roof, which throws so much heat into the car as to make sitting anywhere near it very disagreeable in warm weather. Mor fire, which at times makes its way through the crevices in the floor into the car and is blown in through the open windows, to the additional discomfort of the passen

gers. When the streets are dry the car, when moving at even a moderate rate of speed seems to create a cloud of dust, which is dra wainto the car through the rear door. windows and openings in the floor, to the great discomfort of all and danger to those whose throats and lungs are especially sensitive. This is true with respect to sections of the road paved between the rails with asphalt, as well as the sections paved with cobblestones. This dust annoyance has been so marked as to give rise to the belief that is due to the structural features of the car and not

simply to its rapid movement, as claimed When moving rapidly the oscillation and vibration of the car, due to its great weight and the working of the machinery underneath, makes riding on it rough and disagreeable-so much so that many ladies have complained of its being painful to The liability of the air tubes to explode under such an enormous pressure when the cars are in charge of unskilled operators, is a matter of such great importance as to call for the serious consideration of the Commissioners, and in connection with this feature of the system attention is invited to the inclosed clippings from the Evening Star, of this city, of May 15.

A Government inspector of steam boilers who made an examination of these cars is authority for the statement that the tubes Which they Carry need inspection more so than any steam boiler, and that, in his judgment, it would be a criminal outrage to permit such an explosive force to be run upon the streets of any city without the most rigid and frequent Goverumental inspection.

In conclusion we beg leave to state that, while a unijority of the members of the as-sociation we represent are not opposed would be made, as claimed, to run it from the power house in Eckington to Eifteenth pressed air, and do not wish to be and G streets and back again, a round trip placed in that attitude, we desire to reJOHNSTONS, 729 7th St.

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spectfully protest against any approva by the Commissioners of the air-motor sys-tem, which, we claim, the foregoing statements demonstrate not to be "in all re-spects a proper and satisfactory motive power for the speedy and proper propul-sion of street cars," and ask that the Commissioners, after a careful and thorough investigation of the matterinallits phases, unequivocally condemn the system on or before the 1st day of July next, unless in the meantime said companies shall by the further tests herein suggested, disprove the foregoing statements, to the end that said companies may understand at once that they must comply with the alternative

provision of law by equipping their lines with the underground electric system. We ask further that if, in the judgment of the Commissioners it is essary, that we be accorded a hearing on the matter before the board before determination is reached. We have the houor to be, very respectfully,

> W. G. DENDERSON. W. J. HUGHES, W. J. FOWLER I. B. LINTON. Executive Committ

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Esilway Committee

Suit for Damages Filed. A suit for damages was filed yesterds; by Mary Getcendauner against Richard P McDaniel and Walter Wilcox, claiming \$2,200 for damages to mind and body, sustained by her being maticiously and slanderously assailed by the said defendants on April 22 last, when she was moving her household effects from No. 913 Elev-enth street southeast to No. 1110 I street southeast, where it is alleged, at the latter place, the defendant, Walter Wilcox, tore carpets and oil cloths from the floor and otherwise damaged her furniture. Her attorney is Edmund French.

Held on a Grave Charge. In the police court yesterday Charles Whitney was held in \$500 bonds for the grand jury on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. It was shown that the defendant had slashed Joseph Brown across the head and face with a razor, nearly severing one of his ears.

He Was Known Here. Robert W. Davey, who is figuring promicently in the atrocious Lucigert murder case in Chicago, was arrested in this city in 1894, charged with embezzling money from Mrs. Blackslee. There was not sufficient evidence to convict Davey and the case was dismissed by Judge Miller.

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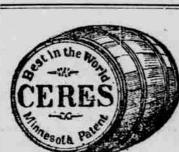
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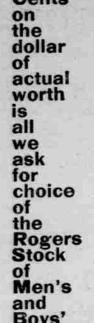
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